Meetings at the RSM

I am in full agreement with Dr Walker.[1] While the change from *Proceedings of the RSM* to *JRSM* was probably necessary I was opposed and, therefore, somewhat unpopular, at the time. In any case, it was never intended that there should be a complete cessation of reports from Sections or, better, of papers derived from Section proceedings. Dr Walker suggests a partial return to this practice, but an academic institution such as the RSM should publish a full list of papers given at its meetings, with reportage of the more important events and presentations. Such newsworthy items are important for the RSM's standing in the medical world, and not least for the education of the readers of the Journal. Clearly, compromise regarding length and space limitations will be necessary, but no doubt the Editor can deal with such issues.

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An ugly metamorphosis?

When the *Proceedings* turned into the *JRSM*, I mourned the ugly metamorphosis. I still do.

Keep the *JRSM*, if you must – but, for the sake of the antediluvians like me, split it in to two parts. Let *Proceedings* be printed and bound in paper and let the ephemera float in the ether – the www world. Then I and other oldies can sit with the proceedings in the armchair or in bed and relish well-written English prose in which are embedded clinical nuggets. Some of us just cannot manage to attend the proceedings!

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NHS Titanic?

Has the *NHS Titanic* recently been re-badged as it was previously sailing under a different flag … as the *NHS Marie Celeste*?

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